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Applicant : Hossein Alavi
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Examiner : Phuong M. Phu

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office action of March 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)			

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
27	21*	6 X 9.00 =	\$54.00
9	6*	3 X 43.00 =	\$129.00
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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)
1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.
2053	130	2053 130 Non-English specification
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
1804	920*	1804 920 * Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
1805	1,840*	1805 1,840 * Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month
1252	420	2252 210 Extension for reply within second month
1253	950	2253 475 Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,480	2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,010	2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month
1404	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal
1402	330	2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	290	2403 145 Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	2451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable
1453	1,330	2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional
1501	1,330	2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502	480	2502 240 Design issue fee
1503	640	2503 320 Plant issue fee
1460	130	2460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
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1809	770	1809 385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
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1801	770	2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
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